SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT REQUEST

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Section 1

Requesting Agency: Arizona Division of Emergency Management

Vendor: Mission-Centered Solutions Estimated Cost: \$24,000

Section 2

Brief description of materials or services: At the Point of the Spear: Leading and Preparing Emergency Response Units training program. This 5-day program will offer critical training for first-line leaders of emergency response units. It will emphasize that the nature of emergency response is fragmented and isolated, but the requirement for good decision making on the ground is paramount.

This program outlines the factors of speed and time constraints, delegating decisions to first-line leaders who are on scene, and highlight difficult calls about risk, benefit, and safety. This training promotes the development of skills, behaviors, and cultural attitudes that enable first-response leaders to make sound command decisions, communicate effectively, and prepare cohesive teams.

In addition to strengthening leadership skills for individual leaders, the program creates a foundation for building an effective response culture among diverse units.

This program can accommodate 24 students, and will be offered in the Phoenix area in 2009 to those in a senior leadership position. Exact dates and location to be determined.

Section 3

Briefly describe why this procurement is Sole Source and why there is only a single source available: This request is being made as a sole-source because this program, "At the Point of the Spear: Leading and Preparing Emergency Response Units" (FEMA course # CA-002-PREV), is the only one of its kind listed in the approved FEMA State Sponsored Course Catalog of training courses for discretionary use of Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)/Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) funding, which will be the method of financing for this program. The FEMA series of catalogs lists only one unique program of each type, and these programs are vetted through a third-party for compliance with FEMA grant guidelines and curriculum design. 2008 HSGP guidance allows states to utilize their grant funding to support programs provided by FEMA and their federal training partners.

Duration of this Sole Source procurement: 12 months from date of request

Briefly describe the efforts made to seek other sources: There are no other vendors currently contracted with FEMA to provide this level of training.

Send comments to the following individual:

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R2- 7-E301 requires the State Procurement Administrator shall post the request on the State Procurement Office website and invite comments on the Sole Source request for five working days.

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